Level crossing opening the old Chinnakada Road for traffic.

277. *MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state what, if any steps they have taken for providing a level crossing opening the old Chinnakada road for traffic ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : No steps have been taken.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : May I know, Sir, if representations had been made to Government in regard to this matter ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : Yes, Sir.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : May I know, Sir, why no steps have been taken ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The question was considered by Government and orders were passed thereon.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know what orders were passed ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : As the portion comes under the Municipality, Goverment have ordered that the Municipality should bear the cost of this work.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : Will the Government be pleased to open a level-crossing there with the assistance of the Municipality ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The Municipality have to do the whole of it

Bridge at Palai.

278. *MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Meenachil* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have ever attempted to construct a bridge across the Minachil river at Palai ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative under what circumstances did that attempt fail ;

(*c*) whether they have received representations from the public praying for the construction of that bridge ; and

(*d*) what action, if any, was taken on it ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The bridge that was partly constructed was damaged in the floods of 1104.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) An estimate for a high level bridge was prepared by the P. W. D., but on account of paucity of funds it was decided that the work should wait until funds become available.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH (*Meenachil* cum *Todupuzha*) : As regards the answer to part (*d*) may I know what was the estimate ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The original estimate was for Rs. 44,200.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH : What happened to the damaged materials ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : They have been stacked at the site.

MR. N. V. JOSEPH : What is the present estimate as regards part (*d*) ?

MR. S. SESHA AIYAR : The present estimate as prepared comes up to Rs. 2,20,000.

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